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## NCAA Division I Cross Country Championships Selection Information

### Allocation of Individual Berths

*The championship provides for 40 men's and 40 women's individuals*

#### Automatic Qualification

*Those that win an individual championship in a certified conference, and was not a member of a team that earned a national-championship berth, advance to the field automatically*

**Number of automatic qualifiers will vary year-to-year**

#### At-Large Selection

*The remainder of the field will be chosen in rank-order based on national individual RPI(iRPI) among individuals that are not already a member of a team that earned a national-championship berth or not already selected automatically via an individual conference championship*

**Number of at-large selections will vary year-to-year. Automatic plus at-large selections will not exceed 40 per gender.**

### Individual At-Large Selection Summary

REMAINING  
**Eligible  
Individuals**

#### ELIGIBILITY

**To be eligible for at-large consideration athletes must:**

Finish two or more eligible races during regular season AND receive a rank-order-result versus at least 100 Division I individuals during the regular season. Opponents need NOT be unique.  
-OR- finish its conference championship race.

#### Eligible races:

Must have more than one Division I institution(s) that have at least one finisher( *intrasquad races and competition against only non-Division I institutions are not eligible for count or individual RPI*)

INDIVIDUAL  
RPI  
**(iRPI)**

#### INDIVIDUAL RATINGS PERCENTAGE INDEX ( iRPI)

*iRPI is a decimal number between 0 and 1 which is the average of:*

#### THOSE WHO FINISH THREE( 3) RACES OR MORE IN REGULAR SEASON

1 PART: Individual's winning percentage

1 PART: Individual's opponents' cumulative win-loss record in percentage (aka strength-of-schedule)

#### THOSE WHO FINISH ONLY TWO( 2) MEETS IN REGULAR SEASON

2 PARTS: Individual's winning percentage

3 PARTS: Individual's opponents' cumulative win-loss record in percentage (aka strength-of-schedule)

#### THOSE WHO FINISH ONLY CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP IN REGULAR SEASON

1 PART: Individual's winning percentage

2 PARTS: Individual's opponents' cumulative win-loss record in percentage (aka strength-of-schedule)

*Note: This formula differs from the RPI used in evaluation of teams. Ties submitted by timers are ignored in winning percentage.*

**AT-LARGE  
INDIVIDUAL  
SELECTIONS**

#### SELECTIONS

*The number of individuals to be selected at-large( per gender) will equal 40 minus the number of individuals selected automatically via a conference individual championship.*

*Those athletes that are a squad member of a team already qualified for the national-championship field are not eligible to be selected as an at-large individual.*

*The remaining number of eligible individuals will be placed in ranked-order based on their individual RPI( iRPI). Selections will be made in that order until the number of individuals (automatic and at-large combined) equal 40.*